

Joint programs with foreign universities in Bulgaria

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This list contains information about the joint programs of Bulgarian Higher Education Institutions with foreign universities. The information on the number and type of joint programs has been collected for the purposes of the *Bulgarian University Ranking System* in June 2020. The data was provided and verified by the Bulgarian HEIs.

The term „joint programs“ involves the following forms of student training cooperation between Bulgarian Higher Education Institutions and foreign universities and/or accrediting institutions:

1. Agreements for combined educational activity with foreign universities providing for the award of **double degrees and/or joint degrees**.
2. **Education Franchise** Agreements with foreign universities.
3. Accreditations from foreign accreditation agencies for separate professional fields studied in Bulgarian universities or foreign accreditation of an entire Bulgarian university.

As a whole, all three types of joint programs provide the students with foreign degrees.

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Agricultural University - Plovdiv	Plant Breeding	West Pomeranian University of Technology in Szczecin	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Poland	Integrated Plant Production	Bulgarian; Polish; English	2013	Master	No
Agricultural University - Plovdiv	Plant Breeding	Ondokuz Mayıs Universitesi; Southern Federal University; Uniwersytet Rolniczy im. Hugona Kollataja w Krakowie; Jordan University of Science and Technology	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Turkey; Russian Federation; Poland; Jordan	Soil Science	Bulgarian; Russian; Turkish	2019	Master	No
Agricultural University - Plovdiv	Plant Protection	University of Bari Aldo Moro, Bari; Agricultural University, Tirana; University "Fan S. Noli", Korce; Agricultural University of Athens; University of Zagreb; University of Osijek; University of Prishtina; South East European University, Tetovo; University of "St. Cyril and Methodius", Skopje; University of Belgrade; University of Novi Sad	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Italy; Greece; Croatia; Albania; Serbia; Kosovo; North Macedonia	Plant Protection	Bulgarian; English; Italian; Greek; Serbian; Albanian; Croatian	2013	Master	No
Agricultural University - Plovdiv	Plant Protection	Kazakh Agrarian University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Plant Protection	Russian; Bulgarian; English	2018	Master	No

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American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Administration and Management	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	Business Administration; Business Administration for managerial staff; Finance, Banking and Real Estate Management	English	2001	Bachelor and Master	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Administration and Management	Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Milan, Italy, through its unit SDA Bocconi School of Management	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Italy	Finance, Banking and Real Estate Management	English	2017	Master	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Economics	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	Economics	English	2001	Bachelor	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Informatics and Computer Science	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	Computer Science; Information Systems	English	2001	Bachelor	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	History and Archaeology	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	History and Civilizations	English	2001	Bachelor	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Mathematics	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	Mathematics	English	2001	Bachelor	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Public Communications and Information Sciences	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	Journalism and Mass Communications	English	2001	Bachelor	No
American University in Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad	Political Sciences	The New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)	Foreign Accreditation	USA	Political Sciences and International Relations; European Studies	English	2001	Bachelor	No

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Burgas Free University	Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Automation	Turan-Astana University	Education Franchise Agreement	Kazakhstan		English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
Burgas Free University	Informatics and Computer Science	Turan-Astana University	Education Franchise Agreement	Kazakhstan		English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
Burgas Free University	Communication and Computer Technology	Turan-Astana University	Education Franchise Agreement	Kazakhstan		English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
Burgas Free University	Public Communications and Information Sciences	Turan-Astana University	Education Franchise Agreement	Kazakhstan		English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
Burgas Free University	Pedagogy	Turan-Astana University	Education Franchise Agreement	Kazakhstan		English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
Burgas Free University	Social Work	Turan-Astana University	Education Franchise Agreement	Kazakhstan		English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
„Chernorizets Hrabar” Varna Free University	Economics	BI Norwegian Business School	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Norway	Economics	English	2017	Bachelor	No
„Chernorizets Hrabar” Varna Free University	Economics	International University of Kyrgyzstan	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kirgizstan	Economics	English	2019	Bachelor	No
„Chernorizets Hrabar” Varna Free University	Informatics and Computer Science	Turan-Astana University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Informatics	English	2019	Bachelor	No

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„St. Cyril and St. Methodius” University of Veliko Tarnovo	History and Archaeology	Tver State University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	Cultural and historical heritage of Bulgaria and Russia	Bulgarian; Russian	2013	Master	No
„N.Y. Vaptsarov” Naval Academy - Varna	Military Science	United States Naval Academy	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	USA	Organization and management of military units on tactical level	English	2015	Bachelor	No
„N.Y. Vaptsarov” Naval Academy - Varna	Transport, Shipping Navigation and Aviation	Artois University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	France	Logistics	English	2013	Bachelor and Master	No
„N.Y. Vaptsarov” Naval Academy - Varna	Transport, Shipping Navigation and Aviation	Maritime Bureau, Seafarers License and Education Division, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism	Foreign Accreditation	Japan	Ship navigation; Ship machinery and devices	English; Bulgarian	2015	Bachelor and Master	No
Higher School of Insurance and Finance - Sofia	Economics	University of Sheffield	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	UK	Business Management	English	2011	Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Administration and Management	Cardiff Metropolitan University	Education Franchise Agreement	UK	International Business and Management; Business Administration	English	2009	Bachelor, Professional Bachelor and Master	No

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Higher School of Management - Varna	Administration and Management	Pontificia Universidade Catolica do Parana – PUCPR	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Brazil	International Business and Management	English	2017	Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Administration and Management	MET Institute of Management	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	India	International Business and Management	English	2018	Professional Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Administration and Management	Plekhanov Russian University of Economics	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	International Business and Management	English	2018	Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Informatics and Computer Science	Cardiff Metropolitan University	Education Franchise Agreement	UK	Software Systems and Technologies	English	2017	Professional Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Informatics and Computer Science	MET Institute of Management	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	India	Software Systems and Technologies	English	2018	Professional Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Tourism	Cardiff Metropolitan University	Education Franchise Agreement	UK	Gastronomy and Culinary Arts; Hotel Management; Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts; International Tourism	English	2009	Bachelor, Professional Bachelor and Master	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Tourism	Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Egypt	Hotel Management	English	2018	Bachelor	No

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Higher School of Management - Varna	Tourism	Business and Hotel Management School - Switzerland	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Switzerland	Hotel Management	English	2019	Professional Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Tourism	Universidad del Valle de Mexico	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Mexico	Gastronomy and Culinary Arts; Hotel Management	English	2019	Professional Bachelor	No
Higher School of Management - Varna	Tourism	University of Cebu	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Philippines	Hotel Management	English	2019	Professional Bachelor	No
University of Economics Varna	Economics	University of Applied Sciences Worms; Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany; Finland	International Business; Marketing; International Economic Relations	English	2015	Bachelor	No
University of Economics Varna	Economics	University of Applied Sciences Worms; Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences; Plekhanov Russian University of Economics	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany; Finland; Russia	International Business; Marketing	English	2015	Bachelor	No
University of Economics Varna	Economics	Plekhanov Russian University of Economics	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	Marketing	English	2019	Bachelor	No

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Management, Trade and Marketing College - Sofia	Economics	Moscow Polytechnic University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	Marketing	Russian	2019	Professional Bachelor	No
New Bulgarian University - Sofia	Administration and Management	University of Urbino "Carlo Bo"	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Italy	Management and Economics of Sustainable Development	English	2015	Master	No
New Bulgarian University - Sofia	Economics	University of Sheffield	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	UK	Finance and Accounting; Management; Marketing; Hotel Management and Tourism; Banking and Finance; Business, Management, Technologies and Innovations; Digital Marketing and Social Media; Marketing, Advertising and Public Relations	English	2018	Bachelor and Master	No
"Paisii Hilendarski" Plovdiv University	Psychology	Moscow State University of Psychology and Education	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	School Psychology; Positive Psychology	Russian	2013	Master	No
"Angel Kanchev" Rousse University	Political Sciences	Bucharest University of Economic Studies	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Romania	European Studies and Public Administration; European Studies and Regional Cooperation	English	2002	Master	No

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„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	Administration and Management	University of Lille	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	France	Economic Management	French; Bulgarian	1996	Bachelor	No
„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	Economics	University of Lille	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	France	Economics и Finance	French; Bulgarian	1996	Bachelor	No
„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	History and Archaeology	University of Graz; University of Regensburg; University of Cluj-Napoca, Macedonia University in Thessaloniki, University of Zagreb, University of Novi Sad; University of Ljubljana	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Austria; Germany; Romania; Greece; Serbia; Croatia; Slovenia	European Southeast	English; Bulgarian	2012	Master	No
„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	Political Sciences	Nancy-Université	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	France	EU Law	French	2005	Master	No
„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	Political Sciences	Al-Farabi University, Almaty	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Europe and Asia: Culture Diplomacy and Geopolitics of EU	English	2016	Master	No
„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	Sociology, Anthropology and Cultural Studies	University of Vienna; Lumière University Lyon; Central European University, Budapest;	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Austria, France; Hungary	Women’s and Gender History	English	2009	Master	No

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„St. Kliment Ohridski” Sofia University	Philology	University of Geneva	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Switzerland	Francophonie, Multilingualism and Intercultural Mediation	French	2015	Master	No
„D. A. Tsenov” Academy of Economics - Svishtov	Economics	Vasyl Stus Donetsk National University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Ukraine	Finance	English	2017	Master	No
„D. A. Tsenov” Academy of Economics - Svishtov	Economics	Tashkent State University of Economics	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Uzbekistan	Economics of Regional development; Strategic Planning in the Economy	Russian	2018	Bachelor	No
„D. A. Tsenov” Academy of Economics - Svishtov	Economics	ISMA University of Applied Sciences	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Latvia	Economics and Management of Tourism	Russian	2018	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Gabrovo	Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Automation	Schmalkalden University of Applied Sciences	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Electronics; Automation, Information and Control Equipment; Electrical Engineering and Electrical Equipment	English	2018	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Gabrovo	Communication and Computer Technology	Schmalkalden University of Applied Sciences	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Computer Systems and Technologies, Communication Equipment and Technologies	English	2018	Bachelor	No

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Technical University of Gabrovo	Mechanical Engineering	Schmalkalden University of Applied Sciences	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Mechatronics; Computer Technologies in mechanical Engineering	English	2012	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Gabrovo	General Engineering	Mittweida University of Applied Sciences	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Industrial Management – Innovations and Business Development	English	2017	Master	No
Technical University of Sofia	Administration and Management	Vocational University Essen	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Economic Management	German	1991	Master	Yes
Technical University of Sofia	Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Automation	French Engineering Accreditation Institution (Commission des Titres d'Ingenieur)	Foreign Accreditation	France	Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Automation – 2 years Master's program after a completed Bachelor's degree	French	2002	Master	No
Technical University of Sofia	Communication and Computer Technology	Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Computer Systems and Technologies	German	2000	Bachelor and Master	Yes
Technical University of Sofia	Communication and Computer Technology	French Engineering Accreditation Institution (Commission des Titres d'Ingenieur)	Foreign Accreditation	France	Information and Communication Technologies - 2 years Master's program	French	2002	Master	No

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Technical University of Sofia	Communication and Computer Technology	Bursa Uludag University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Turkey	Computer Science and Engineering	English	2016	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Sofia	Mechanical Engineering	Yuri Gagarin State Technical University of Saratov	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	Mechatronics	English	2016	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Sofia	Mechanical Engineering	Novosibirsk State Technical University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	Mechatronics	English	2016	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Sofia	Mechanical Engineering	Bursa Uludag University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Turkey	Mechatronics	English	2016	Bachelor	No
Technical University of Sofia	General Engineering	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Mechatronics and Information Technics; General Mechanical Engineering	German	1990	Bachelor and Master	Yes
Technical University of Sofia	General Engineering	Technical University of Braunschweig	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Industrial Management	German	1991	Master	Yes
Technical University of Sofia	General Engineering	French Engineering Accreditation Institution (Commission des Titres d'Ingenieur)	Foreign Accreditation	France	Electrical Engineering – 5 years Master's program after completed secondary education	French	1993	Bachelor and Master	No

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Technical University of Sofia	General Engineering	Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Business Informatics	German	2020	Bachelor	Yes
University of National and World Economy - Sofia	Economics	Nottingham Trent University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	UK	European Business and Finance	English	2007	Master	No
University of National and World Economy - Sofia	Economics	University of International Studies of Rome	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Italy	International Business	English	2017	Master	No
University of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy - Sofia	Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy	Vienna University of Technology	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Austria	Hydraulic Engineering; Road and Railway Construction	German; English	2014	Master	No
University of Library Studies and Information Technologies - Sofia	Informatics and Computer Science	Abay Myrzakhmetov Kokshetau University; Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; Kokshetau State University named after Shokan Ualikhanov; Eurasian University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Information Security	English	2018	Master	No
University of Food Technology - Plovdiv	Biotechnologies	Almaty Technological University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Food-related Biotechnology	English; Russian	2017	Bachelor	Yes

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University of Food Technology - Plovdiv	Biotechnologies	Kazakh University of Technology and Business	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Biotechnology	English; Russian	2019	Bachelor	No
University of Food Technology - Plovdiv	Food Technologies	Technological Educational Institute of Western Macedonia	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Greece	Foodstuff Analysis and Control	English	2015	Master	Yes
University of Food Technology - Plovdiv	Food Technologies	Almaty Technological University	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Technology of Foodstuffs; Catering, Technology of Fermentation Produce; Food Safety and Control	English; Russian	2017	Bachelor and Master	Yes
University of Food Technology - Plovdiv	Food Technologies	Kazakh University of Technology and Business	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kazakhstan	Technology of Foodstuffs; Technology of Fermentation Produce	English; Russian	2019	Bachelor	No
University of Food Technology - Plovdiv	Food Technologies	Moscow State University of Technology and Management named after K.G Razumovsky	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Russia	Public Catering; Technology of Wine and Beer Production	English; Russian	2019	Bachelor	No
University of Chemical Technology and Metallurgy - Sofia	Chemical technologies	Hamburg University of Technology; Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Germany	Chemical Engineering	German; Bulgarian	1991	Bachelor and Master	No

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University of Chemical Technology and Metallurgy - Sofia	Chemical technologies	Fédération Gay Lussac: ENSC Rennes, INP Toulouse, ENSC Montpellier, ENSC Lille; Université Paris 13; Supmeca, Paris; URCA; Université du Maine, INSA Lyon; EMSE; Polytech Lille; Francophone University Agency (AUF); the universities of Bucharest, Iași, Craiova, Timisoara, Ploiești, Romania; various universities in Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia	Foreign Accreditation	France	Chemical and Biochemical Engineering	French; Bulgarian	1992	Master	Yes
„Neofit Rilski” South-West University - Blagoevgrad	Tourism	Vietnam National University of Agriculture (VNUA)	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Vietnam	Bachelor’s program in Tourism Management and Development; Master’s program in Sustainable Tourism Management	English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
„Neofit Rilski” South-West University - Blagoevgrad	Tourism	University of Economics – University of Hue (DAI HOC HUE)	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Vietnam	Bachelor’s program in Tourism and Economics Management; Master’s program in Sustainable Tourism Management	English	2019	Bachelor and Master	No

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„Neofit Rilski” South-West University - Blagoevgrad	Tourism	Issykul State University named after K. Tynystanov, Kyrgyzstan	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kirgizstan	Bachelor’s program in Sustainable Tourism Development	English; Russian	2019	Bachelor	No
„Neofit Rilski” South-West University - Blagoevgrad	Tourism	Kyrgyz Economic University named after Musa Ruskylbekov, Kyrgyzstan	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kyrgyzstan	Bachelor’s program in Sustainable Tourism Development / International Tourism; Master’s program in Sustainable Tourism Development	English; Russian	2019	Bachelor and Master	No
„Neofit Rilski” South-West University - Blagoevgrad	Tourism	ADAM University, Kyrgyzstan	Agreement for combined educational activity providing a double or joint degree	Kyrgyzstan	Bachelor’s program in Sustainable Tourism Development; Master’s program in Sustainable Tourism Development	English; Russian	2019	Bachelor and Master	No